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Election/Restrictions

1. Restriction to one of the following inventions is required under 35 U.S.C. 121:
 - I. Claims 1-16,40-50, drawn to EL Device, classified in class 313, subclass 504.
 - II. Claims 17-39, drawn to method of making and EL device, classified in class 427, subclass 58+.

The inventions are distinct, each from the other because of the following reasons:

2. Inventions I and II are related as process of making and product made. The inventions are distinct if either or both of the following can be shown: (1) that the process as claimed can be used to make other and materially different product or (2) that the product as claimed can be made by another and materially different process (MPEP § 806.05(f)). In the instant case the product as claimed can be made by another and materially different process other than coating such as by laminating.
3. Because these inventions are distinct for the reasons given above and have acquired a separate status in the art as shown by their different classification, restriction for examination purposes as indicated is proper.
4. During a telephone conversation with Chen Wang on 3/21/03 a provisional election was made without traverse to prosecute the invention of Group I, claims 1-16 and 40-50. Affirmation of this election must be made by applicant in replying to this Office action. Claims 17-39 have been withdrawn from further consideration by the examiner, 37 CFR 1.142(b), as being drawn to a non-elected invention.